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# KNUCKLES™

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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG--WITH GREAT  
RELUCTANCE--PRESENTS HIS FRIENDLY NEMESIS

# KNUCKLES

IN AN ALL-NEW MINI-SERIES!

FEATURING THE  
**MYSTERY**  
OF  
?

**ARCHIMEDES...**

AND AN EXTRA-SPECIAL  
GUEST APPEARANCE BY  
THE

**CHAOTIX**

SO WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?  
TURN THE PAGE...  
'CAUSE THE WONDERMENT  
IS ABOUT TO BEGIN!

**O**f the countless natural wonders on the planet Mobius, none can compare to the awe and majesty of the fabled FLOATING ISLAND.

Its secrets, including those of the legendary CHAOS EMERALD, are preserved and protected by KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA. He is the most current sentinel in a long line of guardians.

Though forever apart from the affairs of those who dwell below, the island has its own unique tales of triumph and tragedy. Raised to lofty heights by the power of science, technology would eventually prove a double-edged sword... and a culture's ultimate downfall.

Once home to the most advanced society in living memory, the land has since reverted back to wilderness. But buried deep beneath the shadow of MOUNT FATE, lie signposts to a checkered past – and the artifacts of days perhaps best forgotten.

Still, history has a knack for refreshing the memories of those who fail to heed its lessons.

And that is where our story begins...

PAT SPRZG



DEEP WITHIN THE BOWELS OF  
THE FABLED FLOATING ISLAND  
ABOVE PLANET MOBIUS...

...A VAST UNDERGROUND COMPLEX  
IS ABOUT TO BE INVADED!

HMM... THE ANCIENTS GUARD  
THEIR SECRETS WELL!

CHAMBER'S LOUSY WITH  
MOTION-SENSORS...

EVERYTHING  
FROM TRIPWIRES  
TO PRESSURE  
PLATES...

...TO COMPLEX  
INFRARED  
ARRAYS!

TRAPDOORS AND  
DEADFALLS FAR AS  
THE ELECTRIC EYE  
CAN SEE!

BOOBY  
TRAPS BOTH  
RIDICULOUS...

...AND  
EXOTIC!

NO WAY CAN I CROSS  
THE ROOM WITHOUT SETTING  
AT LEAST ONE OF 'EM OFF!

SO...



SONIC'S FRIENDLY NEMESIS  
**KNUCKLES**

# rites of PASSAGE!

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...I'LL JUST  
HAVE TO  
IMPROVISE!

KABOOM!

KA-  
BOOM!

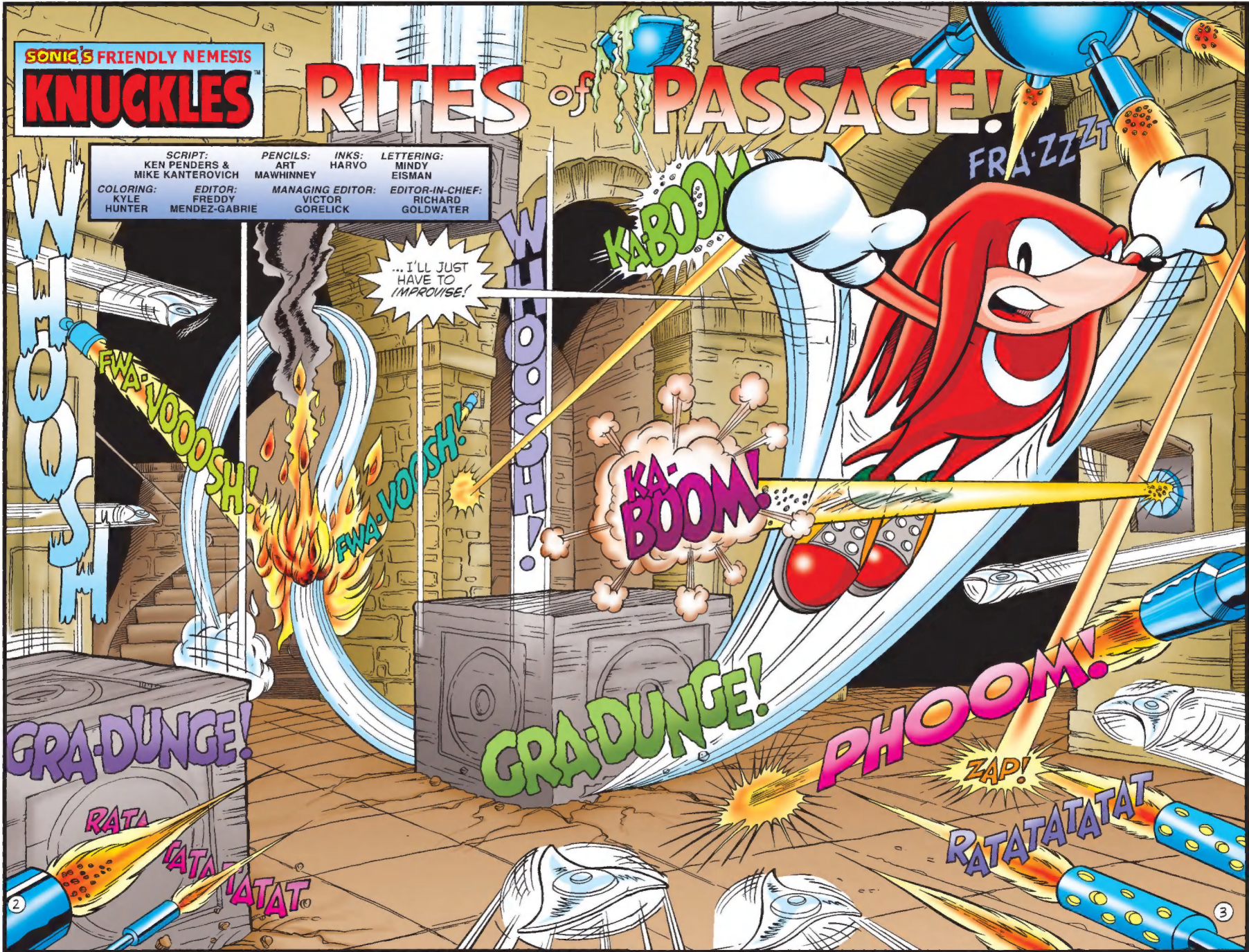
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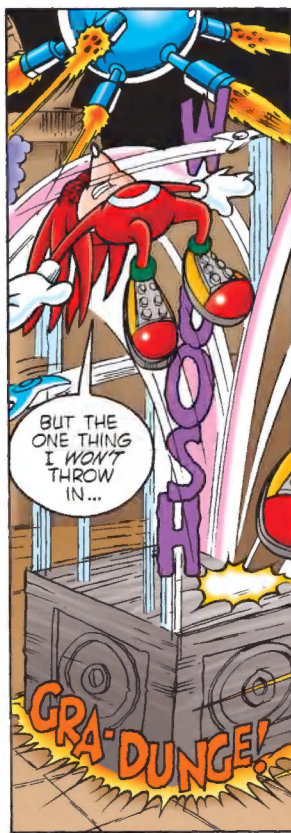
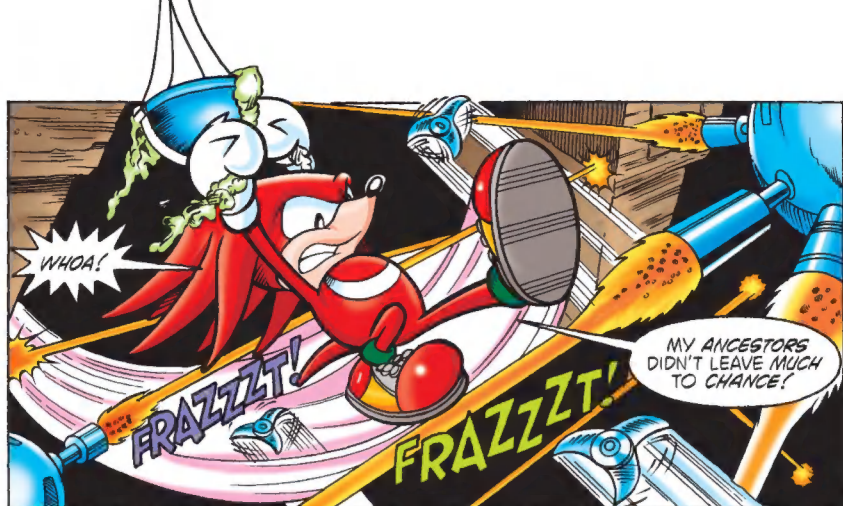
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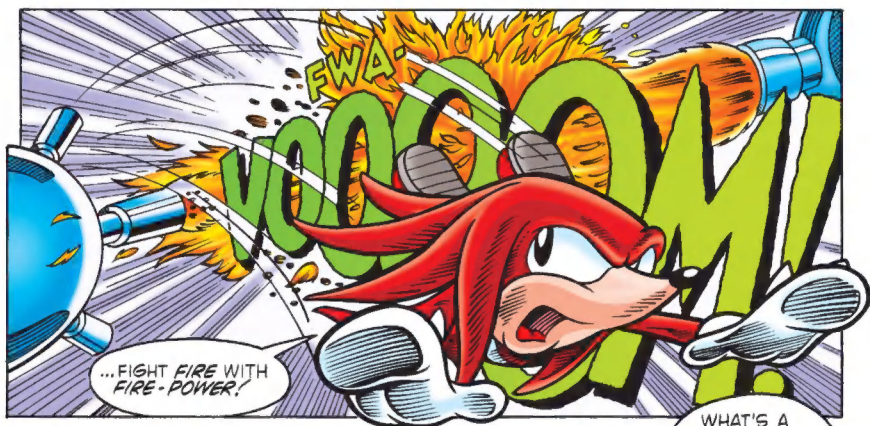
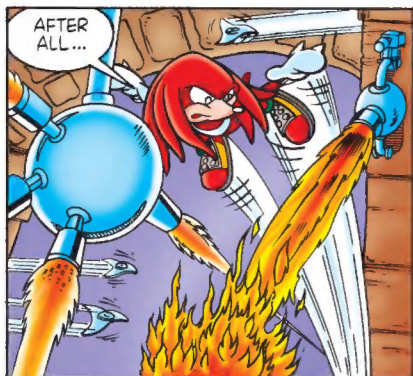
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SAME WAY I ALWAYS DO--

--BY LEAPING WITHOUT LOOKING!

AND WHEN I WASN'T LOOKING...

"...ARCHIMEDES KIDNAPPED THE CHAOTIX!"

"HE'D BEEN PLAGUING ME FOR WEEKS WITH TAUNTS AND RIDDLES-- BUT THAT WAS THE LAST STRAW!"

\*SONIC SELECT VOL. 2

"... ONLY TO FIND MOUNT FATE!"

"I SEARCHED FOR ANSWERS..."

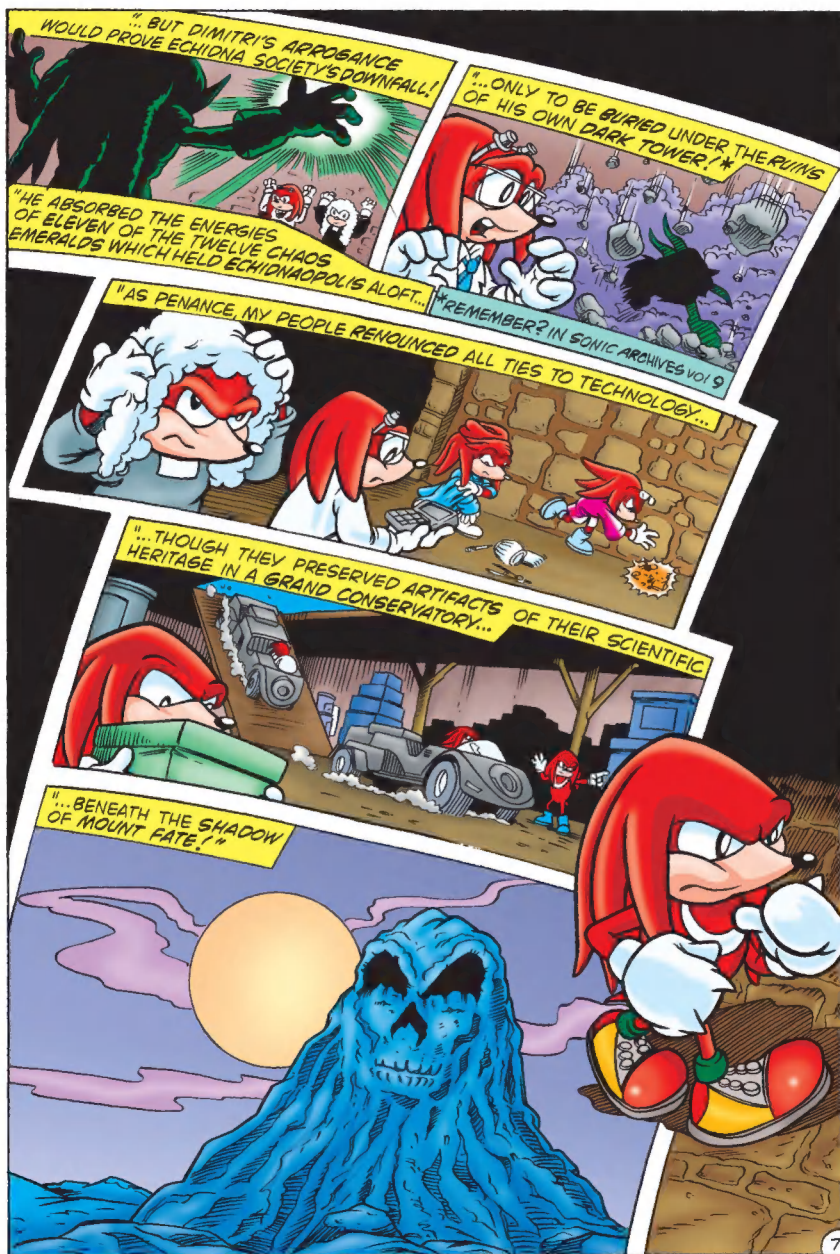
"DAD OFTEN SPOKE OF THE MYTHS AND LEGENDS WHICH CENTER AROUND IT..."

"... DATING BACK TO WHEN OUR HOME-LAND FIRST TOUCHED THE SKY!"

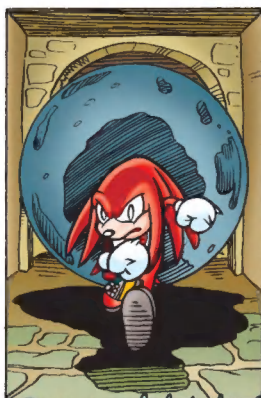
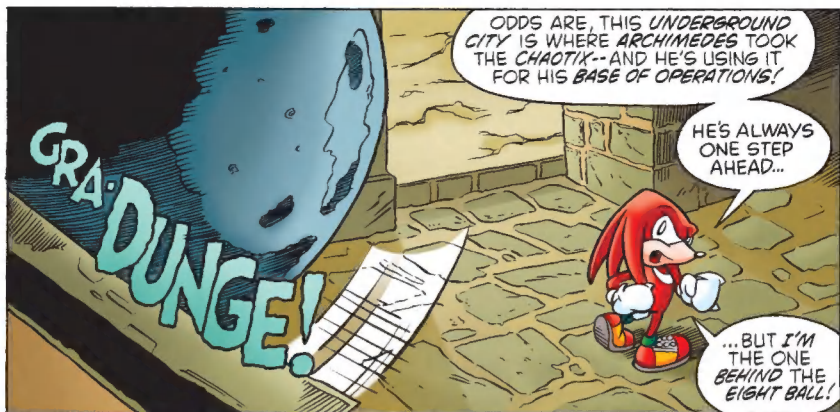
"GENERATIONS LATER, BROTHERS EDMUND AND DIMITRI SOUGHT TO RETURN THIS ISLAND TO MOBIUS..."

\*AS CHRONICLED IN SONIC ARCHIVES #9

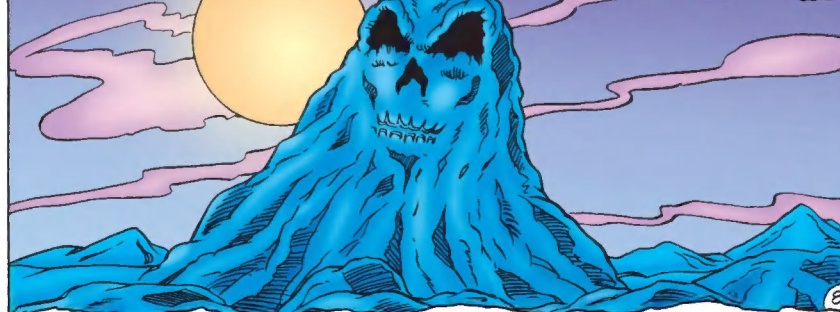






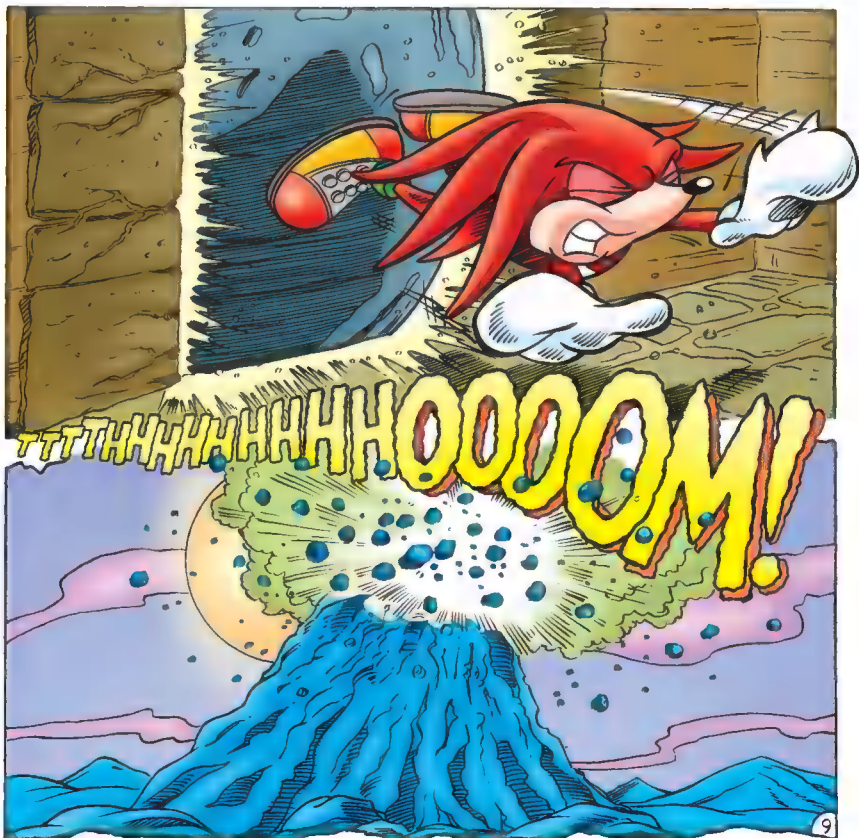
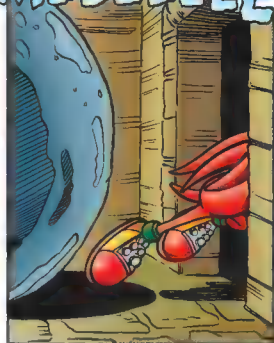
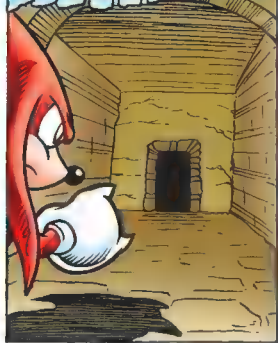


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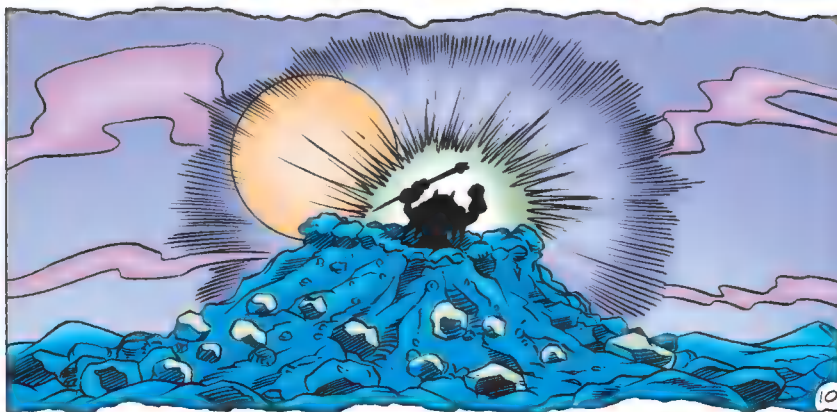
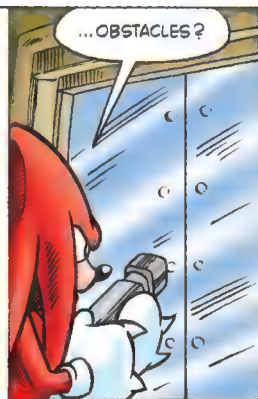
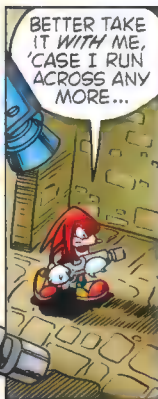
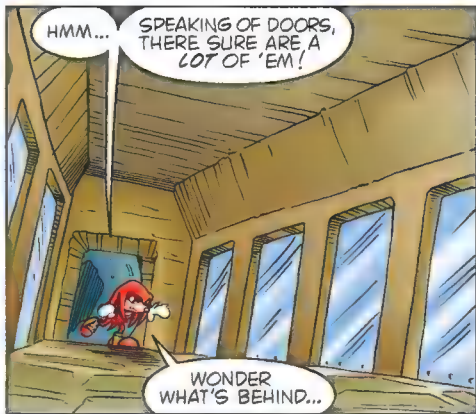
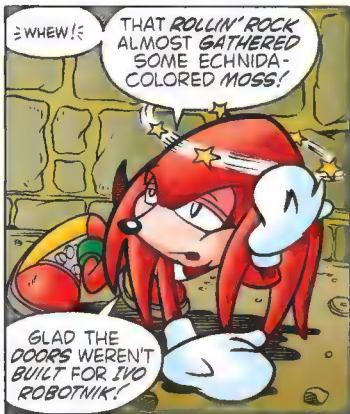




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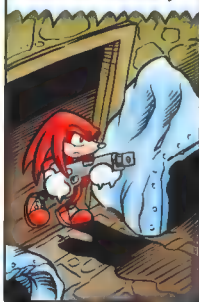




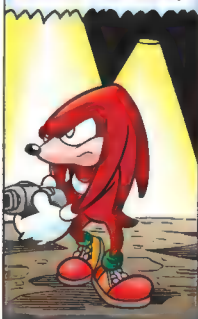




"WHICH IS MORE IMPORTANT? YOUR FRIENDS...OR THE THREAT TO THE FLOATING ISLAND?"



"HAD YOU FOUGHT TOGETHER, INSTEAD OF SEPARATELY, YOU WOULDN'T BE HERE!"



"STILL, INTELLIGENCE ASIDE, YOUR PERFORMANCE HAS BEEN...ADEQUATE."



"TURNING THE CONSERVATORY'S DEFENSES AGAINST THEMSELVES WAS ELEGANT IN ITS SIMPLICITY..."

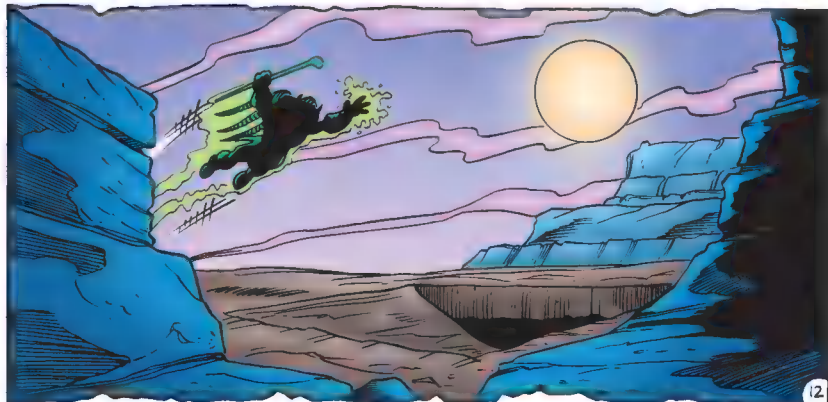
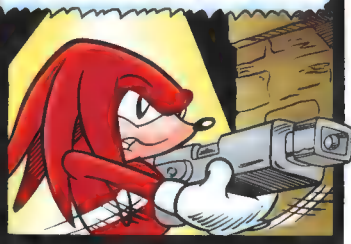


"... ALTHOUGH A TRIFLE MELODRAMATIC!"

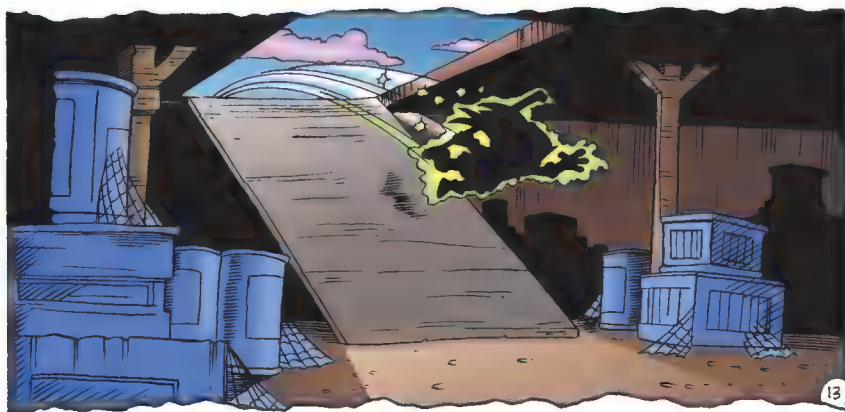


"STILL, YOU CORRECTLY REASONED THAT THE KEY TO THE PRESENT LIES IN YOUR PAST."

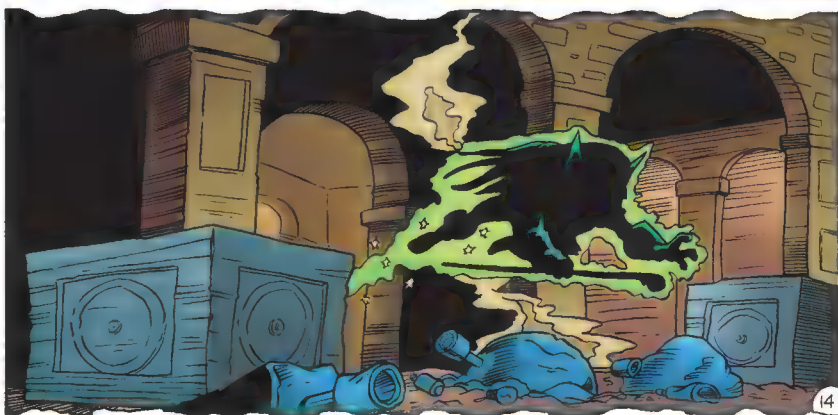
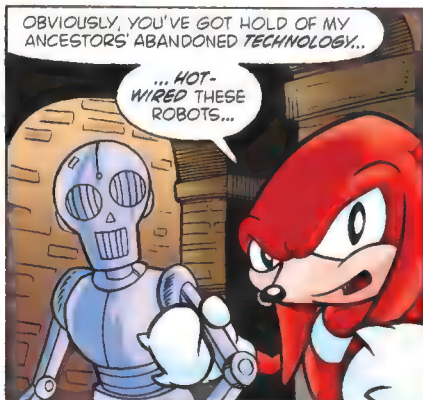
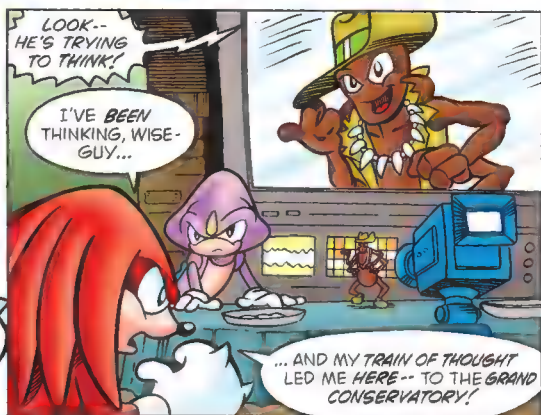
"THAT THE PATH BEST-GUARDED HOLDS BOTH THE MOST PERIL..."



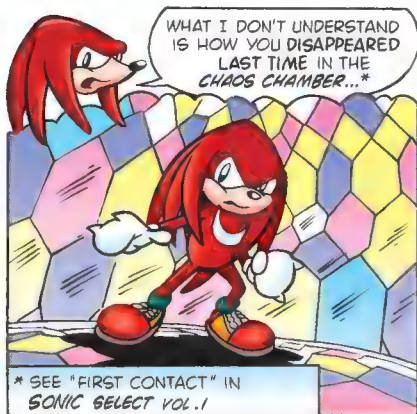




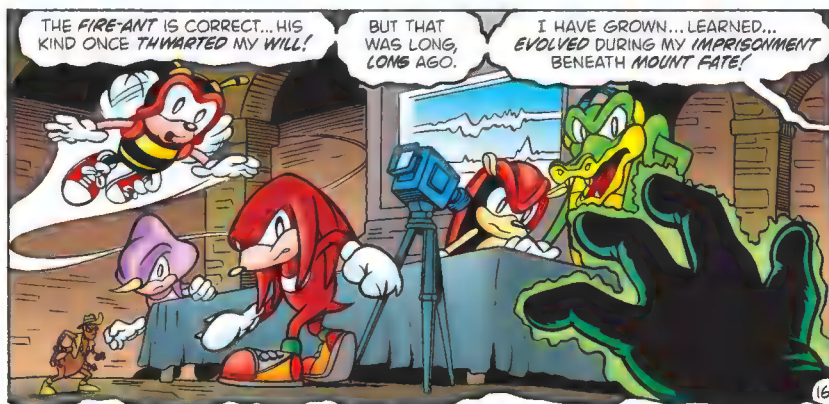














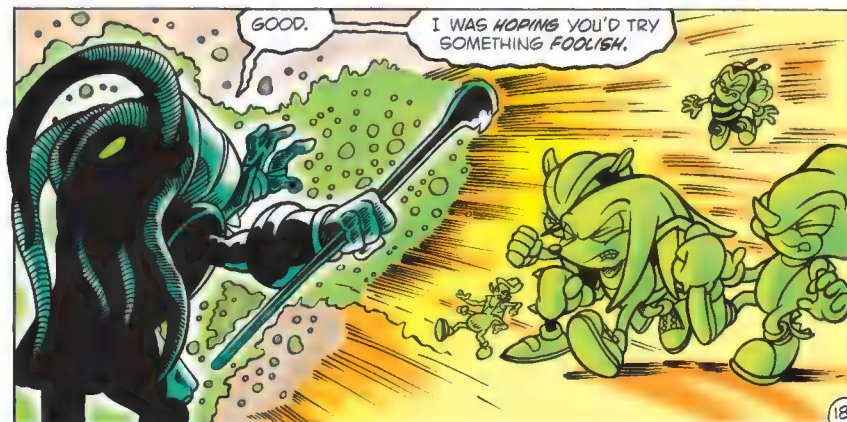
THE ECHIDNA  
SCIENTIST DIMITRI  
IS NO MORE!

TODAY...

...ENERJAK  
REIGNS  
SUPREME!







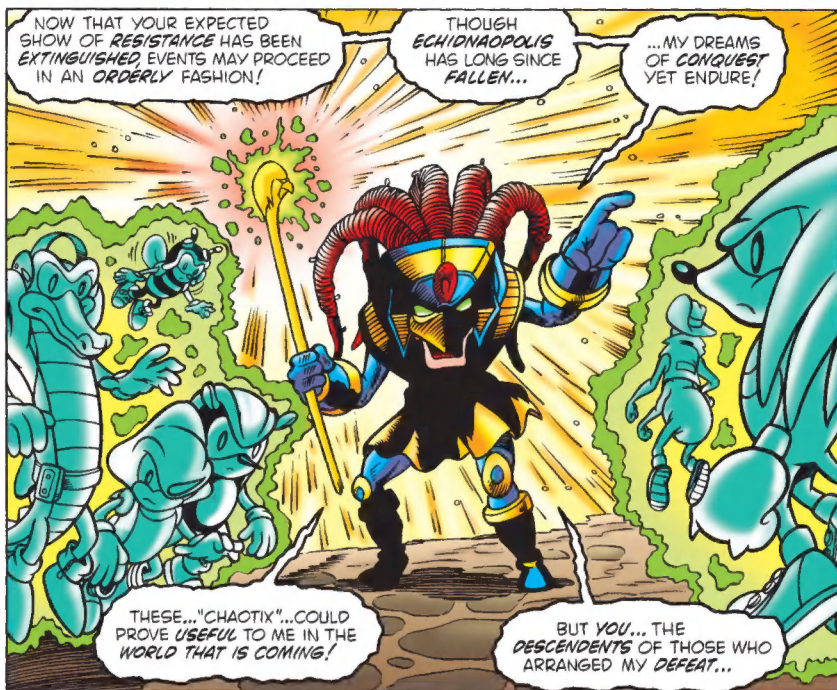








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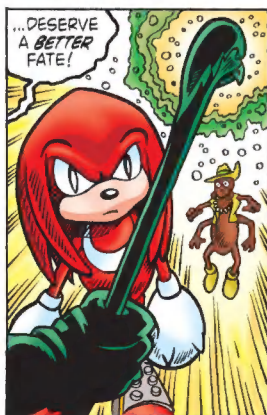
NOW THAT YOUR EXPECTED  
SHOW OF *RESISTANCE* HAS BEEN  
EXTINGUISHED, EVENTS MAY PROCEED  
IN AN *ORDERLY* FASHION!

THOUGH  
*ECHIDNAOPOLIS*  
HAS LONG SINCE  
FALLEN...

...MY DREAMS  
OF CONQUEST  
YET ENDURE!

THESE... "CHAOTIX"... COULD  
PROVE *USEFUL* TO ME IN THE  
WORLD THAT IS COMING!

BUT YOU... THE  
DESCENDENTS OF THOSE WHO  
ARRANGED MY DEFEAT...



...DESERVE  
A *BETTER*  
FATE!



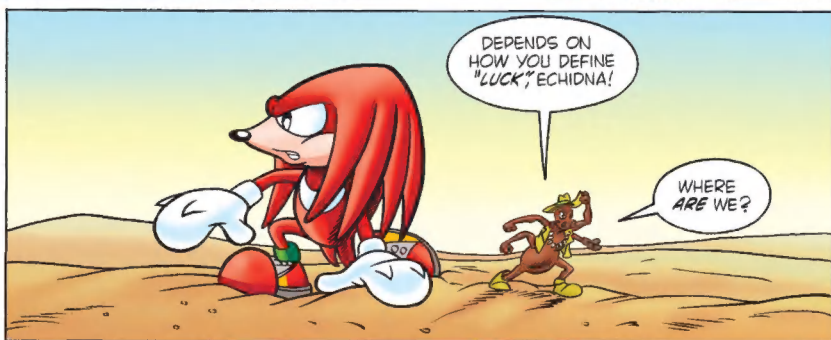
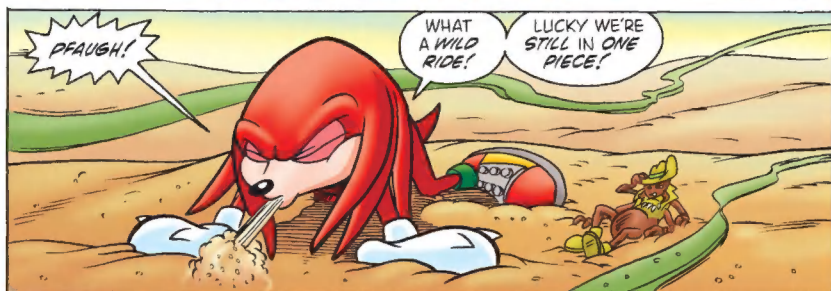
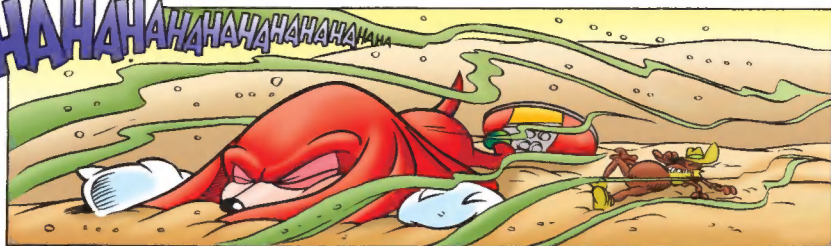
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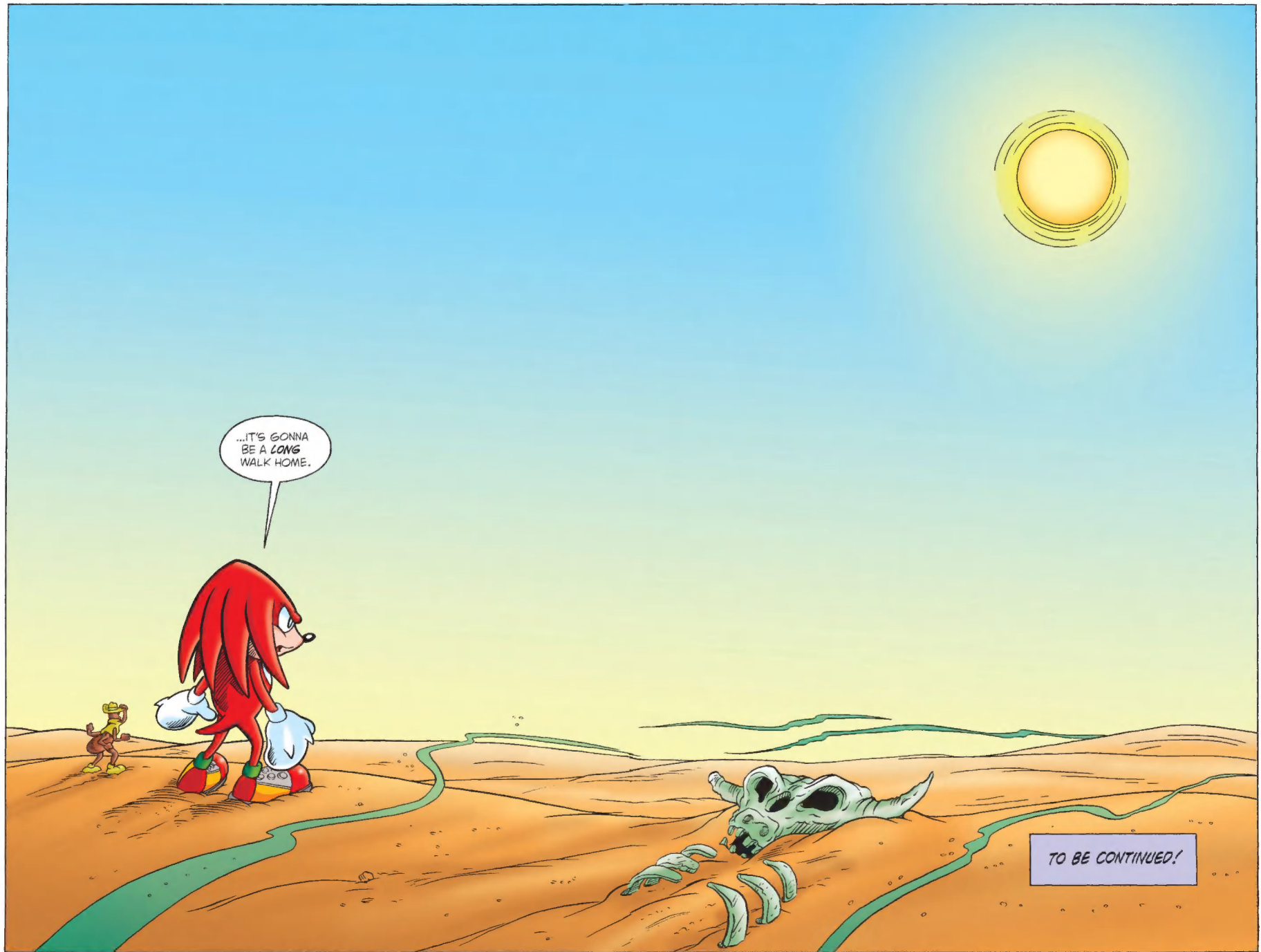
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...IT'S GONNA  
BE A *LONG*  
WALK HOME.

TO BE CONTINUED!